## STATE OF CALIFORNIA REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD CENTRAL COAST REGION

## STAFF REPORT FOR REGULAR MEETING OF DECEMBER 8-9, 2022

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SUBJECT: Division of Financial Assistance Update

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ACTION: Information and Discussion

## **SUMMARY**

Sandeep (Sunny) Kals, a Senior Water Resource Engineer with the Division of Financial Assistance (DFA) at the State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board), will provide a brief overview of various funding programs and associated implementation procedures administered by DFA. This item is complementary to item 11, a regionally focused grants program update. The item 11 staff report includes overviews of various DFA funding programs. See the <u>DFA website</u><sup>1</sup> for information regarding available loan and grant programs administered by the State Water Board.

The recently adopted <u>Clean Water</u><sup>2</sup> and <u>Drinking Water</u><sup>3</sup> State Revolving Fund (SRF) Intended Use Plans (IUPs) may be of particular interest. The IUPs describe the various SRF funding sources and associated criteria and include lists of "fundable" projects currently being considered for funding during fiscal year 2022/2023. Fundable projects include various wastewater, recycling and drinking water infrastructure planning and constructions projects, stormwater and groundwater related projects, and projects addressing contaminants of emerging concern, etc. Supplements to the IUPs are also available on the DFA website.

Of additional interest may be the DFA <u>Application Status Search Tool</u>, which allows users to search for the status of drinking water and clean water SRF project applications that have been submitted for funding consideration and are currently under review.

https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/water\_issues/programs/grants\_loans/docs/2022/cwsrf-iup-sfy2022-23-final.pdf

https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/water\_issues/programs/grants\_loans/docs/2022/dwsrf-iup-sfy2022-23-final.pdf

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> DFA website: https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/water\_issues/programs/grants\_loans/

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> CWSRF website:

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> DWSRF website:

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Application Search Tool: <a href="https://public.waterboards.ca.gov/dfaAppSTAT/">https://public.waterboards.ca.gov/dfaAppSTAT/</a>

Another recently released DFA tool is a <u>program funding dashboard</u><sup>5</sup> documenting fiscal year 2021/2022 funded projects and descriptions via pull down menu options and graphics by funding program and geographic area.

Central Coast Water Board staff are coordinating with DFA staff to implement a virtual Central Coast region focused wastewater funding fair on Tuesday, December 13 from 1:00 to 2:30. A funding fair flier is available on the Central Coast Water Board's home page via the following link and is attached to this staff report.

https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/centralcoast/water\_issues/programs/wastewater\_permitting/docs/wastewater-funding-fair-virtual-2022.pdf

Central Coast Water Board will continue to coordinate with State Water Board DFA staff to help facilitate funding for beneficial projects in the Central Coast region.

Attachment 1 – December 13, 2022, Central Coast Wastewater Funding Fair flier

<sup>5</sup> DFA project funding dashboard:

https://app.powerbigov.us/view?r=eyJrIjoiZjk1ZjM5ZWQtOTFkYi00OGFjLThhMjUtMjJjMzlmYTI1ZTEwliwidCl6ImZlMTg2YTI1LTdkNDktNDFlNi05OTQxLTA1ZDIyODFkMzZjMSJ9